



STINGER SPORTS

CONCORDIA TAKES CONSOLATION FINAL OF THE MCGILL REDMEN INVITATIONAL

The Concordia Stingers rebounded from a disappointing opening game to win the consolation final of the 1987 Redmen Invitational Basketball Tournament. Concordia defeated Laurentian, 83-70 in the Sunday Consolation Final.

"We put together the finest 10 minutes of basketball I have seen from this team", said Coach Doug Daigneault. "We executed well throughout the game especially in the second half".

Concordia, the defending QUAA champions received a strong performance from Nick Arvanitis in their final game as he netted 22 points. The Stingers led 70-50 with 8 minutes to go in the game before substituting for their starting five.

The Stingers advanced to the final with a 70-65 win over 1987 National Finalists, York Yeomen. The team struggled throughout the game, however, a new star came to the forefront for Concordia. First year Stinger, Mike Cohee, netted 29 points to re-affirm his status in Coach Doug Daigneault's scheme of things.

"When a team can win when it is playing poorly that is a sign of maturity," said Coach Daigneault.

The Stingers ran up against some timely U.P.E.I. shooting in their opening game loss Friday night. The Stingers controlled the first half and led at one point in the second half by 8 points. However, Canada's top ranked Eastern team out-rebounded Concordia down the stretch and basically reversed the momentum of the game. U.P.E.I. who led by 2 points with 1:30 to go, ended up with a 82-73 win for their strong effort. Nick Arvanitis had 19 points in a losing effort.

The Stingers travel to the National Invitational Tournament in Toronto this weekend. Concordia opens up against the tough St. Mary's Huskies Thursday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m. This could well be the game of the tournament as both teams competed in the National Finals last year and appear to be strong teams once again. The winners of this game will certainly be in contention to take the prestigious N.I.T. title.